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State, County and MSA Unemployment Rate Report:

February Revised and March Preliminary State Unemployment Figures Released

Indianapolis, Ind. – Today the Indiana Department of Workforce Development released revised February and preliminary March unemployment figures for the state, all 92 counties and metropolitan statistical areas.

Ron Stiver, Commissioner for the Department of Workforce Development, stated, "February and March numbers show that Indiana continues to lag the nation in terms of employment growth. This provides further evidence that Governor Daniels' aggressive economic reform proposals, most of which passed in the recent legislative session, are a much needed remedy."

Seasonally Adjusted:

Indiana's preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March was 5.6%, up from 5.2% in March 2004. The U.S. rate for March was 5.2%.

For the month of March, Indiana's Midwest neighbors reported the following unemployment rates: Kentucky, 5.3%; Illinois, 5.6%; Ohio, 6.3%; Michigan, 6.9%.

For the month of March, the state's estimated seasonally adjusted labor force total was 3,207,000. The number of Hoosier workers in the labor force during March was 3,028,000, up from the total a year ago of 3,003,700. The number of unemployed Hoosiers during March was 179,000. February revised data marked Indiana's labor force total at 3,202,200 with 3,018,100 employed and 184,100 unemployed.

Non-Seasonally Adjusted:

Using the same data and reporting non-seasonally adjusted employment trends, Indiana's March preliminary non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.0%. This total is down from February's revised unemployment rate of 6.4%. However, the March unemployment rate for non-seasonally adjusted employment trends was higher than the March 2004 mark from a year ago of 5.8%.

The U.S. non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.4% for the month of March. Of Indiana's neighboring states reporting non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates, Kentucky's rate was 5.7% and

Illinois's rate was 5.9%. Ohio reported an unemployment rate of 6.7% while Michigan's rate was reported to be 7.6%.

Indiana's non-seasonally adjusted labor force for March was 3,184,500, up from February's revised total of 3,164,100. Of March's total, Indiana reported 2,992,100 employed and 192,400 unemployed.

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development is charged with continually improving the Hoosier workforce by assisting companies to create new jobs and improve employee skills. The agency offers a variety of training and educational grants, partners with Indiana's 27 WorkOne Centers, administers the unemployment insurance system, provides labor market information, assists employers with preparing workers for layoffs and closures and operates a statewide job placement service.

For more information on Indiana's unemployment rate, contact DWD at 1-888-WorkOne, or visit the web site at www.workforce.IN.gov.

Technical Notes:

- In calculating unemployment rates, two different types of numbers are provided. The first, known as the *non-seasonally adjusted rate*, estimates employment and unemployment without taking into account the effects of seasonal trends. In calculating the *seasonally adjusted rate*, or employment that follows more or less a regular pattern each year, holiday, summer and other types of seasonal employment is factored out of the estimate. These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other non-seasonal movements.
- Compiled in conjunction with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the State's unemployment rate is derived from a national survey of about 60,000 households. Of that number approximately 1,300 Indiana households are polled each month.
- The Household survey that calculates the unemployment rate is conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and is conducted during the week of the 12th of the month.
- Labor force is calculated as the number of people 16 years of age and older who were able and available to work.
- For most accurate analysis, please use revised data sets and not preliminary estimates.
- Unemployment rates for individual counties, cities and metropolitan statistical areas will be available on May 4, 2005.

INDIANA VS. U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES March 2005

Seasonally Adjusted	Mar 2005	Feb 2005	Jan 2005	Mar 2004
Indiana				
Labor Force	3,207,000	3,202,200	3,184,000	3,169,900
Employed	3,028,000	3,018,100	3,010,600	3,003,700
Unemployed	179,000	184,100	173,400	166,200
Rate	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.2
U.S.				
Rate	5.2	5.4	5.2	5.7

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Mar 2005	Feb 2005	Mar 2004
Indiana			
Labor Force	3,184,500	3,164,100	3,151,400
Employed	2,992,100	2,960,100	2,969,700
Unemployed	192,400	204,000	181,700
Rate	6.0	6.4	5.8

U.S.

Corrections to Metropolitan Area Local Area Unemployment Statistics

With the release of data for January 2005, the Bureau of Labor Statistics introduced several changes to the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program's methodology for substate areas. Subsequently, BLS has discovered an error affecting one of the employment inputs to the substate estimation process. This error affects previously published estimated levels of the size of the labor force for all metropolitan areas for January and February 2005, as well as the March labor force figures issued in this release in tables 1 and 2. Levels of unemployment are not affected, and there is little or no effect on unemployment rates. Over-the-year changes in labor force levels and unemployment rates also would be little affected. (Nonfarm payroll employment estimates, such as those contained in tables 3 and 4 of this release, are not impacted by the error, nor are the LAUS data for census regions, divisions, states, and substate modeled areas published in the monthly BLS Regional and State release.)

BLS is in the process of correcting the erroneous input, as well as reviewing other employment inputs to the substate estimation process. BLS intends to issue corrected January-March 2005 data coincident with the publication of the next Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release, scheduled for June 1. The size of the error on the labor force will vary by metropolitan area, but is not expected to exceed 3 percent in any case.

BLS also had announced plans to issue revised metropolitan area historical data from 2000 through 2004 to incorporate the methodological changes. The first release of revised historical data, for 2004, was scheduled for April 28, but, due to the error described above, will be postponed until June 1. Data for 2000 also will be made available on that date. Revised data for the years 2001 through 2003 will be issued at later dates.

For more information please call the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program at 202-691-6392.

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

CPS BENCHMARK: 2004

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EMPLOYMENT BENCHMARK: 2004

THESE ESTIMATES ARE PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) AND HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO THE CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) FOR USE IN ALLOCATING FEDERAL FUNDS. BECAUSE OF IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS IN MONTH TO MONTH CHANGES, THE READER SHOULD USE CAUTION WHEN VIEWING THESE ESTIMATES AS INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC CHANGE.

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>	Seasonally Adjusted <u>RATE</u>
U.S.					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	147,737,000	138,408,000	7,986,000	5.4	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	147,649,000	139,100,000	8,549,000	5.8	5.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	146,525,000	137,691,000	8,834,000	6.0	5.7
INDIANA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	3,184,500	2,992,100	192,400	6.0	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	3,164,100	2,960,100	204,000	6.4	5.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	3,151,400	2,969,700	181,700	5.8	5.2
<u>METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS</u>					
ANDERSON MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	64,860	60,340	4,520	7.0	
February 2005 (Revised)	64,530	59,810	4,720	7.3	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	64,300	60,230	4,070	6.3	
BLOOMINGTON MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	97,500	92,210	5,290	5.4	
February 2005 (Revised)	96,880	91,220	5,660	5.8	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	97,260	92,590	4,670	4.8	
COLUMBUS MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	37,580	35,600	1,980	5.3	
February 2005 (Revised)	37,430	35,360	2,070	5.5	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,440	34,640	1,800	5.0	
ELKHART-GOSHEN MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	102,560	97,710	4,850	4.7	
February 2005 (Revised)	101,900	96,820	5,080	5.0	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	97,860	93,440	4,420	4.5	
EVANSVILLE MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	176,960	167,210	9,750	5.5	
February 2005 (Revised)	175,950	165,590	10,360	5.9	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	177,100	168,270	8,830	5.0	
FORT WAYNE MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	213,170	200,810	12,360	5.8	
February 2005 (Revised)	211,790	198,650	13,140	6.2	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	213,540	201,330	12,210	5.7	
GARY					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	327,220	305,770	21,450	6.6	
February 2005 (Revised)	324,740	302,140	22,600	7.0	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	325,980	304,590	21,390	6.6	
INDIANAPOLIS MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	820,720	773,760	46,960	5.7	
February 2005 (Revised)	813,140	763,690	49,450	6.1	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	806,820	763,060	43,760	5.4	
KOKOMO MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	49,280	45,960	3,320	6.7	
February 2005 (Revised)	49,190	45,590	3,600	7.3	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	49,570	46,590	2,980	6.0	
LAFAYETTE MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	92,800	87,880	4,920	5.3	
February 2005 (Revised)	93,040	87,790	5,250	5.6	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	91,970	87,120	4,850	5.3	
MICHIGAN CITY MSA					
March 2005 (Preliminary)	56,100	52,330	3,770	6.7	
February 2005 (Revised)	55,810	51,830	3,980	7.1	
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	56,060	52,260	3,800	6.8	

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MUNCIE MSA				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	58,430	53,990	4,440	7.6
February 2005 (Revised)	58,150	53,480	4,670	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	59,180	55,440	3,740	6.3
SOUTH BEND MSA				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	165,350	156,080	9,270	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	163,730	154,150	9,580	5.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	161,130	152,170	8,960	5.6
TERRE HAUTE MSA				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	83,700	77,460	6,240	7.5
February 2005 (Revised)	83,600	76,780	6,820	8.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	83,950	77,300	6,650	7.9
<u>COUNTIES</u>				
ADAMS				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,730	15,820	910	5.4
February 2005 (Revised)	16,640	15,580	1,060	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,310	15,540	770	4.7
ALLEN (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	180,380	169,900	10,480	5.8
February 2005 (Revised)	179,190	168,070	11,120	6.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	180,540	170,340	10,200	5.6
BARTHOLOMEW (COLUMBUS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	37,580	35,600	1,980	5.3
February 2005 (Revised)	37,430	35,360	2,070	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,440	34,640	1,800	5.0
BENTON (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	4,585	4,305	280	6.1
February 2005 (Revised)	4,595	4,300	295	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	4,580	4,265	315	6.9
BLACKFORD				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	6,930	6,375	555	8.0
February 2005 (Revised)	6,915	6,315	600	8.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,845	6,365	480	7.0
BOONE (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	24,780	23,570	1,210	4.9
February 2005 (Revised)	24,600	23,260	1,340	5.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	24,410	23,250	1,160	4.8
BROWN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	7,865	7,275	590	7.5
February 2005 (Revised)	7,840	7,180	660	8.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	7,765	7,175	590	7.6
CARROLL (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,370	9,720	650	6.2
February 2005 (Revised)	10,380	9,710	670	6.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,350	9,640	710	6.9
CASS				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	20,820	19,540	1,280	6.1
February 2005 (Revised)	20,730	19,360	1,370	6.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,830	19,310	1,520	7.3
CLARK				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	58,100	55,080	3,020	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	57,520	54,370	3,150	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	58,180	55,270	2,910	5.0
CLAY (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,500	12,480	1,020	7.5
February 2005 (Revised)	13,440	12,370	1,070	7.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,440	12,460	980	7.3
CLINTON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,620	15,550	1,070	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	16,640	15,450	1,190	7.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,430	15,420	1,010	6.2

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CRAWFORD				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	5,610	5,130	480	8.5
February 2005 (Revised)	5,605	5,050	555	9.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,605	5,170	435	7.7
DAVISS				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	14,800	14,140	660	4.4
February 2005 (Revised)	14,700	13,990	710	4.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,580	13,960	620	4.2
DEARBORN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	26,370	24,810	1,560	5.9
February 2005 (Revised)	26,180	24,470	1,710	6.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	26,370	24,950	1,420	5.4
DECATUR				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	12,780	12,050	730	5.7
February 2005 (Revised)	12,850	12,050	800	6.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,490	11,780	710	5.7
DEKALB				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,360	20,950	1,410	6.3
February 2005 (Revised)	22,170	20,650	1,520	6.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,230	20,910	1,320	5.9
DELAWARE (MUNCIE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	58,430	53,990	4,440	7.6
February 2005 (Revised)	58,150	53,480	4,670	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	59,180	55,440	3,740	6.3
DUBOIS				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,430	21,540	890	4.0
February 2005 (Revised)	22,390	21,420	970	4.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,160	21,130	1,030	4.7
ELKHART (ELKHART-GOSHEN)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	102,560	97,710	4,850	4.7
February 2005 (Revised)	101,900	96,820	5,080	5.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	97,860	93,440	4,420	4.5
FAYETTE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	11,860	10,810	1,050	8.8
February 2005 (Revised)	11,780	10,750	1,030	8.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,670	10,710	960	8.2
FLOYD				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	41,220	39,050	2,170	5.3
February 2005 (Revised)	40,880	38,550	2,330	5.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	41,160	39,180	1,980	4.8
FOUNTAIN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	8,705	8,140	565	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	8,735	8,140	595	6.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,565	7,985	580	6.7
FRANKLIN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	12,220	11,370	850	7.0
February 2005 (Revised)	12,200	11,210	990	8.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,170	11,430	740	6.1
FULTON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,480	9,760	720	6.9
February 2005 (Revised)	10,280	9,600	680	6.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,160	9,440	720	7.0
GIBSON (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,810	15,890	920	5.5
February 2005 (Revised)	16,690	15,730	960	5.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,820	16,040	780	4.6
GRANT				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	34,000	30,790	3,210	9.4
February 2005 (Revised)	34,010	30,600	3,410	10.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	34,700	31,940	2,760	7.9

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GREENE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,990	15,760	1,230	7.3
February 2005 (Revised)	16,940	15,580	1,360	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,990	15,830	1,160	6.9
HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	112,630	108,390	4,240	3.8
February 2005 (Revised)	111,510	106,980	4,530	4.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	110,980	106,890	4,090	3.7
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	31,160	29,590	1,570	5.0
February 2005 (Revised)	30,930	29,210	1,720	5.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	30,560	29,180	1,380	4.5
HARRISON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	21,150	19,830	1,320	6.3
February 2005 (Revised)	21,050	19,570	1,480	7.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	21,020	19,890	1,130	5.4
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	62,120	59,240	2,880	4.6
February 2005 (Revised)	61,490	58,470	3,020	4.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	60,990	58,420	2,570	4.2
HENRY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	24,360	22,550	1,810	7.4
February 2005 (Revised)	24,090	22,190	1,900	7.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	23,870	22,190	1,680	7.0
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	40,780	38,020	2,760	6.8
February 2005 (Revised)	40,750	37,720	3,030	7.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	41,070	38,550	2,520	6.1
HUNTINGTON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	20,970	19,630	1,340	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	20,940	19,510	1,430	6.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,630	19,460	1,170	5.6
JACKSON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,340	21,180	1,160	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	22,280	21,030	1,250	5.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,030	20,960	1,070	4.9
JASPER (GARY)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,180	14,060	1,120	7.4
February 2005 (Revised)	15,110	13,900	1,210	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,060	14,010	1,050	7.0
JAY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,980	10,270	710	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	10,980	10,170	810	7.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,790	10,110	680	6.3
JEFFERSON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	18,110	17,100	1,010	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	17,990	16,940	1,050	5.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,770	16,920	850	4.8
JENNINGS				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	14,420	13,350	1,070	7.4
February 2005 (Revised)	14,350	13,200	1,150	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,980	13,020	960	6.9
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	64,690	61,330	3,360	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	64,150	60,520	3,630	5.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	63,360	60,470	2,890	4.6
KNOX				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	20,740	19,700	1,040	5.0
February 2005 (Revised)	20,520	19,440	1,080	5.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,280	19,370	910	4.5

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KOSCIUSKO				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	41,710	39,630	2,080	5.0
February 2005 (Revised)	41,330	39,250	2,080	5.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	40,760	38,990	1,770	4.4
LAGRANGE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,950	16,040	910	5.4
February 2005 (Revised)	16,840	15,920	920	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,390	15,570	820	5.0
LAKE (GARY)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	225,350	209,970	15,380	6.8
February 2005 (Revised)	223,670	207,480	16,190	7.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	224,710	209,170	15,540	6.9
LA PORTE (MICHIGAN CITY MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	56,100	52,330	3,770	6.7
February 2005 (Revised)	55,810	51,830	3,980	7.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	56,060	52,260	3,800	6.8
LAWRENCE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	23,200	21,390	1,810	7.8
February 2005 (Revised)	23,070	21,050	2,020	8.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,950	21,310	1,640	7.1
MADISON (ANDERSON MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	64,860	60,340	4,520	7.0
February 2005 (Revised)	64,530	59,810	4,720	7.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	64,300	60,230	4,070	6.3
MARION (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	442,240	414,020	28,220	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	438,190	408,640	29,550	6.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	435,120	408,290	26,830	6.2
MARSHALL				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	23,000	21,630	1,370	6.0
February 2005 (Revised)	22,740	21,330	1,410	6.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,590	21,320	1,270	5.6
MARTIN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	5,265	4,960	305	5.8
February 2005 (Revised)	5,245	4,910	335	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,185	4,880	305	5.9
MIAMI				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	18,440	17,250	1,190	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	18,300	17,040	1,260	6.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	18,360	17,130	1,230	6.7
MONROE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	68,490	65,250	3,240	4.7
February 2005 (Revised)	67,970	64,550	3,420	5.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	68,370	65,520	2,850	4.2
MONTGOMERY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	19,960	18,960	1,000	5.0
February 2005 (Revised)	20,000	18,930	1,070	5.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	19,640	18,690	950	4.9
MORGAN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	35,380	33,190	2,190	6.2
February 2005 (Revised)	34,980	32,750	2,230	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	34,600	32,730	1,870	5.4
NEWTON (GARY)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	7,140	6,705	435	6.1
February 2005 (Revised)	7,075	6,630	445	6.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	7,085	6,680	405	5.7
NOBLE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	23,810	22,260	1,550	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	23,630	22,030	1,600	6.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	23,500	21,990	1,510	6.4

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OHIO (CINCINNATI MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	3,145	2,975	170	5.3
February 2005 (Revised)	3,135	2,935	200	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	3,170	2,990	180	5.6
ORANGE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	9,230	8,425	805	8.7
February 2005 (Revised)	9,325	8,430	895	9.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,125	8,370	755	8.3
OWEN (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	12,020	11,200	820	6.8
February 2005 (Revised)	11,970	11,090	880	7.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,900	11,240	660	5.5
PARKE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	8,070	7,440	630	7.8
February 2005 (Revised)	8,105	7,420	685	8.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	7,900	7,375	525	6.7
PERRY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,030	9,470	560	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	9,880	9,250	630	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,950	9,415	535	5.4
PIKE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	6,465	6,070	395	6.1
February 2005 (Revised)	6,450	6,035	415	6.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,240	5,950	290	4.6
PORTER (GARY)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	79,540	75,020	4,520	5.7
February 2005 (Revised)	78,890	74,130	4,760	6.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	79,140	74,740	4,400	5.6
POSEY (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,640	12,920	720	5.3
February 2005 (Revised)	13,540	12,790	750	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,690	13,040	650	4.7
PULASKI				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	7,015	6,605	410	5.8
February 2005 (Revised)	7,005	6,555	450	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,695	6,285	410	6.1
PUTNAM (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,050	15,740	1,310	7.7
February 2005 (Revised)	16,830	15,540	1,290	7.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,620	15,520	1,100	6.6
RANDOLPH				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,620	12,470	1,150	8.4
February 2005 (Revised)	13,590	12,350	1,240	9.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,670	12,650	1,020	7.5
RIPLEY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,360	14,480	880	5.7
February 2005 (Revised)	15,350	14,350	1,000	6.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,830	14,040	790	5.3
RUSH				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	9,150	8,660	490	5.4
February 2005 (Revised)	9,145	8,620	525	5.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,870	8,380	490	5.5
SAINT JOSEPH (SOUTH BEND MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	137,270	129,510	7,760	5.7
February 2005 (Revised)	135,880	127,880	8,000	5.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	134,800	127,350	7,450	5.5
SCOTT				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	11,350	10,590	760	6.7
February 2005 (Revised)	11,420	10,540	880	7.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,150	10,450	700	6.2

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
SHELBY (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,810	21,430	1,380	6.1
February 2005 (Revised)	22,630	21,150	1,480	6.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,410	21,140	1,270	5.7
SPENCER				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,820	10,110	710	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	10,750	9,990	760	7.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,570	9,980	590	5.6
STARKE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	10,640	9,780	860	8.0
February 2005 (Revised)	10,590	9,650	940	8.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,500	9,670	830	7.9
STEUBEN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,530	16,360	1,170	6.7
February 2005 (Revised)	17,420	16,170	1,250	7.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,300	16,200	1,100	6.3
SULLIVAN (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	9,615	8,830	785	8.1
February 2005 (Revised)	9,595	8,755	840	8.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,575	8,815	760	7.9
SWITZERLAND				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	5,845	5,565	280	4.8
February 2005 (Revised)	5,860	5,550	310	5.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,735	5,470	265	4.6
TIPPECANOE (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	77,850	73,860	3,990	5.1
February 2005 (Revised)	78,070	73,790	4,280	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	77,040	73,220	3,820	5.0
TIPTON (KOKOMO MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	8,495	7,935	560	6.6
February 2005 (Revised)	8,440	7,870	570	6.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,500	8,045	455	5.4
UNION				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	4,200	3,955	245	5.9
February 2005 (Revised)	4,190	3,925	265	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	4,115	3,875	240	5.8
VANDERBURGH (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	89,310	84,180	5,130	5.7
February 2005 (Revised)	88,720	83,290	5,430	6.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	89,550	84,940	4,610	5.2
VERMILLION (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	8,400	7,700	700	8.4
February 2005 (Revised)	8,460	7,635	825	9.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,430	7,685	745	8.8
VIGO (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	52,180	48,440	3,740	7.2
February 2005 (Revised)	52,110	48,020	4,090	7.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	52,510	48,350	4,160	7.9
WABASH				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,880	16,710	1,170	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	17,700	16,470	1,230	6.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,880	16,720	1,160	6.5
WARREN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	4,555	4,320	235	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	4,570	4,310	260	5.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	4,500	4,260	240	5.3
WARRICK (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	29,260	27,730	1,530	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	29,080	27,440	1,640	5.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	29,290	27,980	1,310	4.5

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
WASHINGTON				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,490	14,480	1,010	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	15,390	14,300	1,090	7.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,470	14,530	940	6.1
WAYNE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	34,580	31,950	2,630	7.6
February 2005 (Revised)	34,560	31,780	2,780	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	34,730	32,130	2,600	7.5
WELLS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,110	14,260	850	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	15,000	14,100	900	6.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,110	14,290	820	5.4
WHITE				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	11,870	11,010	860	7.2
February 2005 (Revised)	11,930	11,020	910	7.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,780	10,790	990	8.4
WHITLEY (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,690	16,660	1,030	5.8
February 2005 (Revised)	17,600	16,480	1,120	6.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,900	16,700	1,200	6.7
<u>CITIES (Population over 25,000)</u>				
ANDERSON CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	28,580	25,990	2,590	9.1
February 2005 (Revised)	28,470	25,760	2,710	9.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	28,280	25,950	2,330	8.3
BLOOMINGTON CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	36,200	34,260	1,940	5.4
February 2005 (Revised)	35,940	33,890	2,050	5.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,110	34,400	1,710	4.7
CARMEL CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,320	21,530	790	3.5
February 2005 (Revised)	22,090	21,250	840	3.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	21,990	21,230	760	3.5
COLUMBUS CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	19,920	18,860	1,060	5.3
February 2005 (Revised)	19,840	18,730	1,110	5.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	19,310	18,350	960	5.0
EAST CHICAGO CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	11,990	10,290	1,700	14.2
February 2005 (Revised)	11,950	10,160	1,790	14.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,960	10,250	1,710	14.3
ELKHART CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	28,360	26,140	2,220	7.8
February 2005 (Revised)	28,220	25,900	2,320	8.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	27,020	25,000	2,020	7.5
EVANSVILLE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	62,320	57,990	4,330	7.0
February 2005 (Revised)	61,960	57,380	4,580	7.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	62,410	58,520	3,890	6.2
FISHERS TOWN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	25,680	24,930	750	2.9
February 2005 (Revised)	25,400	24,600	800	3.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	25,310	24,590	720	2.8
FORT WAYNE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	110,280	102,020	8,260	7.5
February 2005 (Revised)	109,690	100,920	8,770	8.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	110,320	102,280	8,040	7.3
GARY CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	41,020	35,390	5,630	13.7
February 2005 (Revised)	40,890	34,960	5,930	14.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	40,940	35,250	5,690	13.9

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
GOSHEN CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,860	15,070	790	5.0
February 2005 (Revised)	15,760	14,930	830	5.3
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,130	14,410	720	4.8
GREENWOOD CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	20,950	19,920	1,030	4.9
February 2005 (Revised)	20,780	19,660	1,120	5.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,530	19,640	890	4.3
HAMMOND CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	37,140	34,190	2,950	7.9
February 2005 (Revised)	36,890	33,780	3,110	8.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	37,040	34,060	2,980	8.0
HOBART CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	12,690	12,090	600	4.7
February 2005 (Revised)	12,580	11,950	630	5.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,650	12,050	600	4.7
INDIANAPOLIS CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	401,760	375,450	26,310	6.5
February 2005 (Revised)	398,120	370,560	27,560	6.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	395,270	370,260	25,010	6.3
JEFFERSONVILLE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,490	15,430	1,060	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	16,340	15,230	1,110	6.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,510	15,490	1,020	6.2
KOKOMO CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	22,120	20,280	1,840	8.3
February 2005 (Revised)	22,150	20,120	2,030	9.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,250	20,570	1,680	7.6
LAFAYETTE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	32,870	31,030	1,840	5.6
February 2005 (Revised)	32,980	31,000	1,980	6.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	32,520	30,760	1,760	5.4
LAWRENCE TOWN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	21,030	19,800	1,230	5.8
February 2005 (Revised)	20,830	19,540	1,290	6.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,690	19,520	1,170	5.6
MARION CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,400	11,670	1,730	12.9
February 2005 (Revised)	13,440	11,600	1,840	13.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,590	12,100	1,490	11.0
MERRILLVILLE TOWN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	15,650	15,050	600	3.9
February 2005 (Revised)	15,510	14,870	640	4.1
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,600	14,990	610	3.9
MICHIGAN CITY CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	16,030	14,580	1,450	9.0
February 2005 (Revised)	15,980	14,450	1,530	9.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,030	14,570	1,460	9.1
MISHAWAKA CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	26,070	24,860	1,210	4.6
February 2005 (Revised)	25,790	24,550	1,240	4.8
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	25,600	24,440	1,160	4.5
MUNCIE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	31,820	28,680	3,140	9.9
February 2005 (Revised)	31,720	28,420	3,300	10.4
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	32,100	29,460	2,640	8.2
NEW ALBANY CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	21,030	19,680	1,350	6.4
February 2005 (Revised)	20,870	19,420	1,450	6.9
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,970	19,740	1,230	5.9

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
NOBLESVILLE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,710	16,880	830	4.7
February 2005 (Revised)	17,550	16,670	880	5.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,450	16,650	800	4.6
PORTAGE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	17,880	16,600	1,280	7.1
February 2005 (Revised)	17,750	16,410	1,340	7.6
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,780	16,540	1,240	7.0
RICHMOND CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	18,460	16,630	1,830	9.9
February 2005 (Revised)	18,480	16,550	1,930	10.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	18,530	16,720	1,810	9.8
SCHERERVILLE TOWN				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,710	13,370	340	2.5
February 2005 (Revised)	13,570	13,210	360	2.7
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,660	13,310	350	2.5
SOUTH BEND CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	53,850	49,200	4,650	8.6
February 2005 (Revised)	53,370	48,580	4,790	9.0
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	52,840	48,380	4,460	8.4
TERRE HAUTE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	27,030	24,920	2,110	7.8
February 2005 (Revised)	27,010	24,700	2,310	8.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	27,220	24,870	2,350	8.6
VALPARAISO CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	14,010	13,290	720	5.2
February 2005 (Revised)	13,890	13,130	760	5.5
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,940	13,230	710	5.1
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY				
March 2005 (Preliminary)	13,300	12,660	640	4.8
February 2005 (Revised)	13,330	12,640	690	5.2
March 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,160	12,540	620	4.7

NOTES: 1) UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.
2) COUNTY DATA MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING.
3) PRELIMINARY DATA WILL BE REVISED THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

*Starting with January 2005 data, new MSA definitions are used. These will be revised back to 2000

*Also starting with January 2005, new methodology is being used. It will be used back to 2000

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R A N K I N G O F C O U N T Y D A T A

FOR MARCH 2005 (PRELIMINARY)

PREPARED APRIL 27, 2005

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	GRANT	9.4	47	PIKE	6.1
2	FAYETTE	8.8	48	CASS	6.1
3	ORANGE	8.7	49	BENTON	6.1
4	CRAWFORD	8.5	50	NEWTON	6.1
5	RANDOLPH	8.4	51	SHELBY	6.1
6	VERMILLION	8.4	52	MARSHALL	6.0
7	SULLIVAN	8.1	53	DEARBORN	5.9
8	STARKE	8.0	54	UNION	5.9
9	BLACKFORD	8.0	55	WHITLEY	5.8
10	LAWRENCE	7.8	56	PULASKI	5.8
11	PARKE	7.8	57	ALLEN	5.8
12	PUTNAM	7.7	58	MARTIN	5.8
13	WAYNE	7.6	59	RIPLEY	5.7
14	DELAWARE	7.6	60	VANDERBURGH	5.7
15	CLAY	7.5	61	PORTER	5.7
16	BROWN	7.5	62	DECATUR	5.7
17	HENRY	7.4	63	SAINT JOSEPH	5.7
18	JENNINGS	7.4	64	WELLS	5.6
19	JASPER	7.4	65	PERRY	5.6
20	GREENE	7.3	66	JEFFERSON	5.6
21	WHITE	7.2	67	GIBSON	5.5
22	VIGO	7.2	68	ADAMS	5.4
23	FRANKLIN	7.0	69	LAGRANGE	5.4
24	MADISON	7.0	70	RUSH	5.4
25	FULTON	6.9	71	OHIO	5.3
26	LAKE	6.8	72	BARTHOLOMEW	5.3
27	OWEN	6.8	73	FLOYD	5.3
28	HOWARD	6.8	74	POSEY	5.3
29	SCOTT	6.7	75	WARRICK	5.2
30	LAPORTE	6.7	76	CLARK	5.2
31	STEUBEN	6.7	77	JOHNSON	5.2
32	TIPTON	6.6	78	WARREN	5.2
33	WABASH	6.5	79	JACKSON	5.2
34	WASHINGTON	6.5	80	TIPPECANOE	5.1
35	SPENCER	6.5	81	HANCOCK	5.0
36	NOBLE	6.5	82	MONTGOMERY	5.0
37	FOUNTAIN	6.5	83	KNOX	5.0
38	JAY	6.5	84	KOSCIUSKO	5.0
39	MIAMI	6.4	85	BOONE	4.9
40	CLINTON	6.4	86	SWITZERLAND	4.8
41	HUNTINGTON	6.4	87	MONROE	4.7
42	MARION	6.4	88	ELKHART	4.7
43	DEKALB	6.3	89	HENDRICKS	4.6
44	HARRISON	6.3	90	DAVISS	4.4
45	CARROLL	6.2	91	DUBOIS	4.0
46	MORGAN	6.2	92	HAMILTON	3.8
				INDIANA	6.0

R A N K I N G O F C O U N T Y D A T A

FOR FEBRUARY 2005 (REVISED)

PREPARED APRIL 27, 2005

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	GRANT	10.0	47	DEARBORN	6.5
2	CRAWFORD	9.9	48	RIPLEY	6.5
3	VERMILLION	9.8	49	CARROLL	6.5
4	ORANGE	9.6	50	PIKE	6.5
5	RANDOLPH	9.2	51	MARTIN	6.4
6	STARKE	8.9	52	BENTON	6.4
7	FAYETTE	8.8	53	PULASKI	6.4
8	SULLIVAN	8.8	54	PERRY	6.4
9	LAWRENCE	8.7	55	WHITLEY	6.4
10	BLACKFORD	8.6	56	MORGAN	6.4
11	PARKE	8.5	57	UNION	6.4
12	BROWN	8.4	58	ADAMS	6.4
13	FRANKLIN	8.1	59	OHIO	6.4
14	WAYNE	8.0	60	NEWTON	6.3
15	DELAWARE	8.0	61	DECATUR	6.2
16	JASPER	8.0	62	ALLEN	6.2
17	GREENE	8.0	63	MARSHALL	6.2
18	JENNINGS	8.0	64	VANDERBURGH	6.1
19	CLAY	7.9	65	PORTER	6.0
20	HENRY	7.9	66	WELLS	6.0
21	VIGO	7.8	67	SAINT JOSEPH	5.9
22	PUTNAM	7.7	68	JEFFERSON	5.9
23	SCOTT	7.7	69	GIBSON	5.8
24	WHITE	7.6	70	RUSH	5.7
25	HOWARD	7.4	71	FLOYD	5.7
26	OWEN	7.4	72	JOHNSON	5.7
27	JAY	7.4	73	WARREN	5.6
28	MADISON	7.3	74	WARRICK	5.6
29	LAKE	7.2	75	JACKSON	5.6
30	STEUBEN	7.2	76	HANCOCK	5.6
31	CLINTON	7.2	77	POSEY	5.5
32	LAPORTE	7.1	78	BARTHOLOMEW	5.5
33	WASHINGTON	7.1	79	TIPPECANOE	5.5
34	SPENCER	7.0	80	CLARK	5.5
35	HARRISON	7.0	81	LAGRANGE	5.5
36	WABASH	6.9	82	BOONE	5.4
37	MIAMI	6.9	83	MONTGOMERY	5.3
38	HUNTINGTON	6.8	84	SWITZERLAND	5.3
39	DEKALB	6.8	85	KNOX	5.2
40	FOUNTAIN	6.8	86	MONROE	5.0
41	NOBLE	6.8	87	KOSCIUSKO	5.0
42	MARION	6.7	88	ELKHART	5.0
43	TIPTON	6.7	89	HENDRICKS	4.9
44	FULTON	6.7	90	DAVISS	4.8
45	CASS	6.6	91	DUBOIS	4.3
46	SHELBY	6.5	92	HAMILTON	4.1
				INDIANA	6.4

Unemployment Rate

March 2005

